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Applicant: Suman Preet Singh KHANUJA et al.

Title: A COMPOSITION COMPRISING  
PHARMACEUTICAL/NUTRACEUTICAL AGENT AND A BIO-  
ENHANCER OBTAINED FROM GLYCYRRHIZA GLABRA

Appl. No.: 09/655,710

Appl. Filing Date: September 5, 2000

Examiner: Susan D. Coe

Art Unit: 1651

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**TRANSMITTAL**

Commissioner for Patents  
Box RCE  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

[ ] Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on \_\_\_\_.

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- Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on \_\_\_ but not considered.
- Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_.
- Other \_\_\_.

b. Enclosed are:

- Preliminary Amendment.
- Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- Information Disclosure Statement.
- Form PTO-1449 with copies of \_\_\_ listed reference(s).
- Other .

Miscellaneous:

- Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e)				\$740.00	\$740.00
Total Claims:	<u>48</u>	— <u>48</u>	= <u>0</u>	x \$18.00	= <u>\$0.00</u>
Independents:	<u>3</u>	— <u>3</u>	= <u>0</u>	x \$84.00	= <u>\$0.00</u>
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+ \$280.00	= <u>\$0.00</u>
				CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:	= <u>\$740.00</u>

Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$400.00	\$0.00
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$1,960.00	\$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		\$0.00
	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		\$740.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)		\$0.00
	TOTAL FEE:		\$740.00

A check in the amount of \$740.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date August 15, 2002

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please enter the following  
amendments to the enclosed application.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claims 1 and 27 as proposed below. In accordance with 37  
C.F.R. § 1.21(c)(1), a marked-up version of the claims is set forth at the end of  
this response under the heading "Marked-up Version of the Claims."

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1. (Amended) A composition comprising (i) an effective amount of  
an extract or compound obtained from the plant *Glycyrrhiza glabra* and (ii) a  
therapeutically effective amount of one or more nutraceuticals, antibiotics, anti-  
infective agents and anti-cancer agents, wherein said effective amount of said  
extract or said compound is insufficient for said extract by itself or said  
compound by itself to be a therapeutically effective nutraceutical, antibiotic,  
anti-infective agent or anti-cancer agent, and wherein said extract or said  
compound is effective as a bio-enhancer and bioavailability facilitator.

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